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AMEMBASSY BUCHAREST
AMEMBASSY SOFIA

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BUCHAREST FOR RSCISSORS

SOFIA FOR BILL BLACK

REF: A. STATE 51311, B. STATE 52744

1. TSS COORDINATOR PIGGOT FINALLY REACHED EMBASSY
BUCHAREST'S ECONOMIC COUNSELOR BY PHONE ON FRIDAY
AFTERNOON, MARCH 11, AND WAS TOLD TSS VISIT TO BUCHAREST
HAD BEEN CANCELLED. A CABLE WAS SENT TO STATE SO
ADVISING.

2. THOUGH DISAPPOINTED, ALL MEMBERS OF THE TSS GROUP UNDERSTOOD
REASONS FOR CANCELLATION. IN THE ABSENCE OF SPECIFIC INVITATIONS
FOR INDIVIDUAL COMPANIES TO VISIT AND DISCUSS POSSIBLE
RECONSTRUCTION PROJECTS, THEY ALL WISHED TO AVOID ANY
SUGGESTION OF TRYING TO PROFIT FROM ROMANIAN
DISASTER.

3. EXECUTIVES REVISED THEIR ITINERARIES AFTER THE SOFIA VISIT, WHICH
ENDS ON SATURDAY, MARCH 19: CONCRETE PIPE STOPPED ROBERT PAGE FROM
COMING FROM ENGLAND, AND LA DUE WILL RETURN TO ZURICH. MR. SHELLEY
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PLANS TO CINTINUE TO TEHERAN AND INDIA. ARMSTONG
CORK'S HEPHILL AND ROEPTIG RETURNING TO THEIR RESPECTIVE
HEADQUARTERS. CHAIRMAN PORTER DRISCOLL RETURNING TO
WASHINGTON. SPANCRETE'S NIMMER CONTINUING TO ISRAEL,
HOPEFULLY VIA ATHENS. INTERTEX'S FISH PLANS TO STAY
OVER IN SOFIA SEVERAL DAYS BEFORE RETURNING TO NEW YORK.

4. AFTER COMPLETING HIS TSS WORK WITH THE PARTICIPANTS AND SEEING THEM ON THEIR VARIOUS WAYS, PIGGOT WOULD APPRECIATE AUTHORIZATION TO SPEND ONE ADDITIONAL WORKING DAY IN SOFIA PREPARING AND TRANSMITTING FINAL SOFIA PORTION REPORT AND, IF ALL BILLS ARE PAID, BUDGET WRAP-UP, THEN TWO MORE DAYS ON TDAD WORK, MEETING WITH MINISTRIES, FTO'S AND BULGARIAN ORGANIZATIONS IN BOTH THE AUTOMOTIVE AND METALLURGICAL SECTORS TO EXPLORE SALES AND COOPERATION POTENTIAL FOR US INDUSTRIES. OF PARTICULAR INTEREST WILL BE BALKANCAR AND ORGANIZATIONS RESPONSIBLE FOR IMPLEMENTING THE SECOND AND THIRD METALLURGICAL COMPLEXES PLANNED FOR BURGAS AND VARNA AREAS.

5. SINCE THERE ARE NO FLIGHTS SOUTH AVAILABLE EITHER THURSDAY OR FRIDAY, PIGGOT WOULD PREFER TO TAKE THOSE TWO DAYS AS ADDITIONAL ANNUAL LEAVE. IF THIS PROGRAM APPROVED, PLEASE ADVISE CARE OF BILL BLACK, EMBASSY SOFIA.

6. TSS GROUP HAS FINAL APPOINTMENTS TUESDAY MORNING, MARCH 15, AND DEPARTS 3:55 PM FOR SOFIA. DAVIES

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